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KOOLAI, FROM TARNOFF/WISNER FOR AMB. YOUNG

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR

SUBJECT: EXPENSES FOR THE ZANU DELEGATION

1. WE APPRECIATED YOUR MESSAGE AND HAVE LOOKED INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF FUNDING THE ZANU DELEGATION. THE PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING SUCH FUNDING ARE COMPLEX AND A PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION WOULD BE REQUIRED. THERE IS NO WAY WE CAN OBTAIN THE FUNDS OR GIVE YOU A BANKABLE COMMITMENT BEFORE THE ZANU DELEGATION LEAVES VALLETTA. YOU MIGHT TELL THE ZANU DELEGATION THAT YOU RAISED THE MATTER IN WASHINGTON BUT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE THEM A REPLY IN TIME BECAUSE OF THE NEWLY INSTITUTED PROCEDURES FOR CONSIDERING ACTIONS OF THIS KIND, WHICH ARE TIME-CONSUMING. PLEASE DO NOT, HOWEVER, HOLD OUT ANY REAL HOPE THAT FUNDS WILL BE FORTH-COMING LATER.

2. FOR YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLY: PROSPECTS FOR OBTAINING THIS SORT OF FUNDING ARE EXTREMELY SLIM IN THE
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FUTURE. ONCE YOU RETURN, WE WILL OF COURSE BE ABLE TO DISCUSS THE MATTER FURTHER WITH YOU.

3. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT WITH WARREN CHRISTOPHER WHO JOINS US IN REGRETTING THAT WE CANNOT BE MORE RESPONSIVE. VANCE

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